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The Honorable Paul A. Crotty
United States District Judge
Daniel Patrick Moynihan
United States Courthouse
500 Pearl Street, Room 735
New York, NY 10007

Re: State of New York, et al. v. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services,
No. 07-CV-8621 (PAC) (RLE)

Dear Judge Crotty:

Please find enclosed an amicus curiae brief that the States of California, Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Mexico are filing jointly today in the above-captioned matter. Last week, our office contacted your chambers regarding the need for filing motions to appear pro hac vice and instructions on e-filing given that we are out-of-state. Mr. Ovalles advised us that the amici states would be permitted to submit a brief without filing motions to appear pro hac vice and would also be excused from the requirement to file electronically. Pursuant to his request, we are mailing a hard copy of the brief, as well as sending the brief to your chambers in pdf form.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Emily R. Paradise".

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Enclosures
cc: Counsel of record (w/enclosures)

